



Missouri June Wheat Forecast



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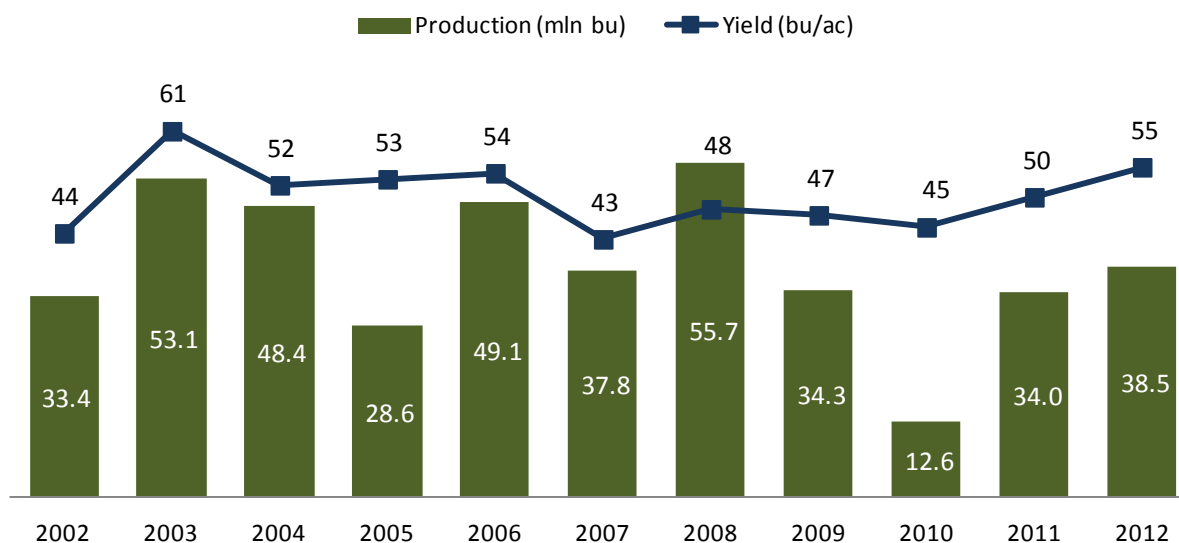
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COLUMBIA, MO - **Missouri** production of **winter wheat** is forecast at 38.5 million bushels, based on conditions as of June 1, 2012. This is an increase of 8 percent from last month and is 13 percent above last year's production. Yields in the State are expected to average 55 bushels per acre, 4 bushels above the May 1 forecast and 5 bushels above the 2011 yield. If realized, this will be the highest yield in the state since 2003.

"A warm spring and dry May allowed wheat harvest to begin early and proceed rapidly" said Robert Garino, Acting Director, Missouri Agricultural Statistics. "Currently 65 percent of Missouri wheat is harvested, 20 days ahead of normal and the most at this date on record. Largest wheat growing district in the state, the Southeast District, has 96 percent of the crop harvested."

Missouri Winter Wheat



All districts in the state are forecast above 50 bushels per acre with the Northwest District being the highest at 61 with the West Central District just one bushel below that. The biggest producing district, the Southeast, is forecast to produce 10.7 million bushels, 18 percent less than last year.

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Missouri Wheat Production and Yield by District

AREA	ACRES PLANTED (1000s)		ACRES HARVESTED (1000s)		YIELD (bu/acre)		PRODUCTION (1000s)	
	2011	2012*	2011	2012*	2011	2012*	2011	2012*
NW	37	53	32.4	49	46.3	61.0	1,500	3,000
NC	54	51	47.5	47	44.2	55.0	2,100	2,600
NE	74	86	66.2	79	48.3	57.0	3,200	4,500
WC	82	96	74.3	90	47.1	60.0	3,500	5,400
C	78	68	67.0	59	44.8	51.0	3,000	3,000
EC	59	57	51.5	53	48.5	57.0	2,500	3,000
SW	109	116	98.6	103	47.7	55.0	4,700	5,700
SC	14	18	9.0	11	44.4	55.0	400	600
SE	283	225	233.5	209	56.1	51.0	13,100	10,700
STATE	790	770	680	700	50.0	55.0	34,000	38,500

*June 1 Forecast

U.S. Wheat Production Down. Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.68 billion bushels, down 1 percent from the May 1 forecast but 13 percent above 2011. Based on June 1 conditions, the United States yield is forecast at 47.3 bushels per acre, down 0.3 bushel from last month but 1.1 bushels more than last year. Expected area for harvest as grain or seed totals 35.6 million acres, unchanged from May 1.

Hard Red Winter, at 1.02 billion bushels, is down 1 percent from a month ago. Soft Red Winter production is up slightly from last month and now totals 428 million bushels. White Winter production totals 231 million bushels, down 1 percent from last month. Of this total, 14.1 million bushels are Hard White and 217 million bushels are Soft White.

The June wheat yield and production forecast are based on two surveys conducted by the Missouri Field Office of USDA-NASS: a farm operator survey and an objective yield survey. The farm operator survey was conducted primarily by telephone with some use of mail, internet and personal interviewers. The objective yield survey collects actual stalk counts and head weights from plots set up in producer fields across the state.

Link to the US report: <http://usda01.library.cornell.edu/usda/current/CropProd/CropProd-06-12-2012.pdf>

Link to USDA-NASS website: www.nass.usda.gov